AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 1, 2006 AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 17, 2006 AMENDED IN SENATE MARCH 27, 2006

SENATE BILL

No. 1515

Introduced by Senator Kehoe

February 23, 2006

An act to add and repeal Section 43311 of the Public Resources Code, relating to solid waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1515, as amended, Kehoe. Solid waste: facilities: operating hours.

Existing law imposes various duties related to solid waste on the California Integrated Waste Management Board.

This bill would require the board to conduct a study of any environmental benefits, costs, adverse impacts, alternatives, and mitigation measures, of expanding the operating hours of solid waste facilities, as defined, as a means of reducing traffic congestion and enabling collection and transfer vehicle fleet operators to access the facilities during off-peak hours, as specified. The bill would require the board, in conducting the study, to consult with representatives of specified entities and individuals. The bill would require the board to report its findings to the Legislature on or before March 1, 2007 January 1, 2008.

The bill would provide that its provisions become inoperative on June 30, 2007 March 30, 2008, and are repealed as of January 1, 2008 2009.

SB 1515 -2-

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 43311 is added to the Public Resources 2 Code, to read:
 - 43311. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:
 - (1) Maintaining and exceeding solid waste diversion requirements established by Section 41780 is a key element of the state's comprehensive program for solid waste management, and for preservation of the health, safety, and well-being of the public.
 - (2) Convenient and accessible facilities for storing, transferring, processing, and disposing solid waste may assist in implementing cost-effective waste diversion and recycling programs.
 - (3) Traffic congestion is a potential impediment to the delivery of reliable, efficient, and low-cost waste management services, and may contribute to environmental problems, including adverse impacts on air quality.
 - (4) Accordingly, the state should consider alternatives for more efficient use of existing resources, including solid waste facilities.
 - (b) (1) The board shall conduct a study of any environmental benefits, costs, adverse impacts, alternatives, and mitigation measures, of expanding the operating hours of solid waste facilities, as a means of reducing traffic congestion and enabling collection and transfer vehicle fleet operators to access the facilities during off-peak hours. The study shall examine issues relating to expanded operating hours and solid waste collection activities, including changes in solid waste collection activities to reduce congestion.
 - (2) The board, in conducting the study required pursuant to paragraph (1), shall consult with representatives of the League of California Cities, California State Association of Counties, organizations representing environmental and environmental justice interests, solid waste collection and transfer vehicle fleet

-3- SB 1515

operators, operators of solid waste facilities, and the State AirResources Board.

3

4

- (3) On or before March 1, 2007 January 1, 2008, the board shall report its findings to the Legislature.
- 5 (c) This section shall become inoperative on June 30, 2007 6 *March 30*, 2008, and is repealed as of January 1, 2008 2009, 7 unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted on or before January 8 1, 2008 2009, deletes or extends those dates.